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As th' Old Year turns into th' New Year it has become a widespread practice fer folks in th' News Bizness to pick somethin' like a Man of th' Year, or, Woman of th Year, or Dummy of th' Year, or top news stories of th' year, or th' Worst This or That.

1980 has been a memorable year insofar as interesting and titillating tales are concerned. Th' one that sticks vividly in our feeble mind was that vicious Swamp Rabbit that dared to attack th' President of these United States while he was fishin in a Georgia pond. Jimmy Carter starred in a number of stories we remember. For instants, how about that marathon run? or jist th' other day when he was attacked by that bush on th' slopes of Camp David?

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Carlot Beef Opens Steady, $1 Higher

Des Moines, Dec. 29 (F-S) — Central U.S. carlot beef trade (includes the major production areas in the midwest and Texas-Oklahoma Panhandle) as of 4:30 p.m. Compared to Wednesday's 2:15 report: few loads choice 3 steers and heifer beef 1.00 higher than last mid-week on packer-packer trades, few loads choice 4 beef steady to 1.00 lower, otherwise, market not established. Demand and trading light with the exception of regular weekly chain store orders which are moderate. Processors bidding lower but most packers holding offerings in firm hands. The boxed beef carcass cutout value advanced $30 per cwt. to $107.86. Sales reported on 111 loads of steer and heifer beef. Steer beef — 69 loads, including 4 to processors, 12 to packers & 53 to chain stores. FOB Omaha basis: 8 choice 3 600-900 lbs 103.00, 1.00 higher. 50 choice 2-3 600-700 lbs YG 3 102.50-103.50, YG 2 103.75-105.50. 4 choice 4 600-900 lbs 86.00-87.00, steady-1.00 lower. 1 good 2-3 600-900 lbs 100.25. 3 good 2-3 600-700 lbs 99.50-101.50. FOB Amarillo basis: 2 choice 3 600-900 lbs 103.00, 1 good 2-3 600-900 lbs 100.25.

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Feedlot Cattle Open Steady, .50c Higher

Amarillo, Dec. 30 (F-S) — Slaughter steers and heifers about steady. Feedlots reported good inquiry from most buying sources. 18,000 head sold for the week to date. Steers: 5,900: Good and mostly choice 2-3, 70-85% choice, 1050-1175 lb 67.00-67.50; Mixed

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U.S. Meat Export Federation President Alan R. Middaugh (center) introduces National Cattlemen's Assn. President Merlyn Carlson (left) to Seiji Mori, president of the Livestock Industry Promotion Corporation (LIPC) of Japan. The LIPC controls more than 90% of all meat imported by Japan. Mori and other Japanese trade officials visited the NCA offices in Denver as part of their trip to gain first-hand knowledge of the U.S. beef industry. The group was hosted by the U.S. Meat Export Federation. They traveled to the Texas Panhandle cattle feeding area, where they were hosted by the Texas Cattle Feeders Assn. They were somewhat optimistic about the consumption of beef in Japan.

Observing the process of alcohol production as agricultural materials pass through the cooker-fermenter unit are Dr. Milton Holloway (left) of Austin, director of the energy analysis and development division of the Texas Energy and Natural Resources Advisory Council, and Dr. Neville P. Clarke, director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the state's agricultural research agency. The Experiment Station's alcohol production unit was acquired jointly through a recent grant of TENRAC and Station resources.

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Market Hogs at 55.4 Million 4% Fewer, Breeders at 9.16 Million Decline 5%, Farrowings Smaller

Washington, Dec 23 (USDA) — U S Inventory of all hogs and pigs is estimated at 64.5 million head on December 1, 1980, according to the crop reporting board. This is 4 % below a year ago but 7% more than December 1, 1978.

Breeding inventory at 9.16 million is 5% below both a year ago and December 1, 1978.

Market hog inventory at 55.4 million is 4% fewer than a year earlier but 9% more than two years ago.

The 14 quarterly states with 54.8 million head on December 1 are down 4% from a year earlier but 7% greater than December 1, 1978. These 14 states account for approximately 85% of the total U S hog and pig inventory.

The U S pig crop for 1980 totaled 102 million head, 1% below 1979, but 15% above the 1978 pig crop.

December 1979-May 1980 pig crop, estimated at 52.8 million head, is up 3% from a year earlier and 23% above the comparable period two years ago.

June-November 1980 pig crop estimated 49.3 million head, is 5% fewer than a year ago but 7% above the June-November 1978 crop.

A total of 6.84 million sows farrowed during June-November 1980—6% fewer than a year earlier. The litter size during this period averaged 7.21 compared with 7.13 a year earlier.

In the 14 quarterly states, the June-

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New USDA Secretary Midwest Farmer John Block Reagan's Pick

Selection of Illinois farmer John to head the Agriculture Department for President-Elect Ronald Reagan was a surprise to most, since a number of more widely known people had been prominently mentioned since the election. However, that Block comes from the Midwest was less of a surprise, since farmers from that area, long disenchanted with Jimmy Carter-Bob Bergland farm policy had a big hand in the Reagan landslide.

Block, 45, with his family farm some

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Merc Revises Feeder Cattle Futures Effective Jan. 2

Chicago, Dec. 22 — A significantly revised feeder cattle futures contract will be listed for trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange on January 2, 1981, following approval by the Commodity and Futures Trading Commission. Designed to keep pace with changes and needs within the feeder

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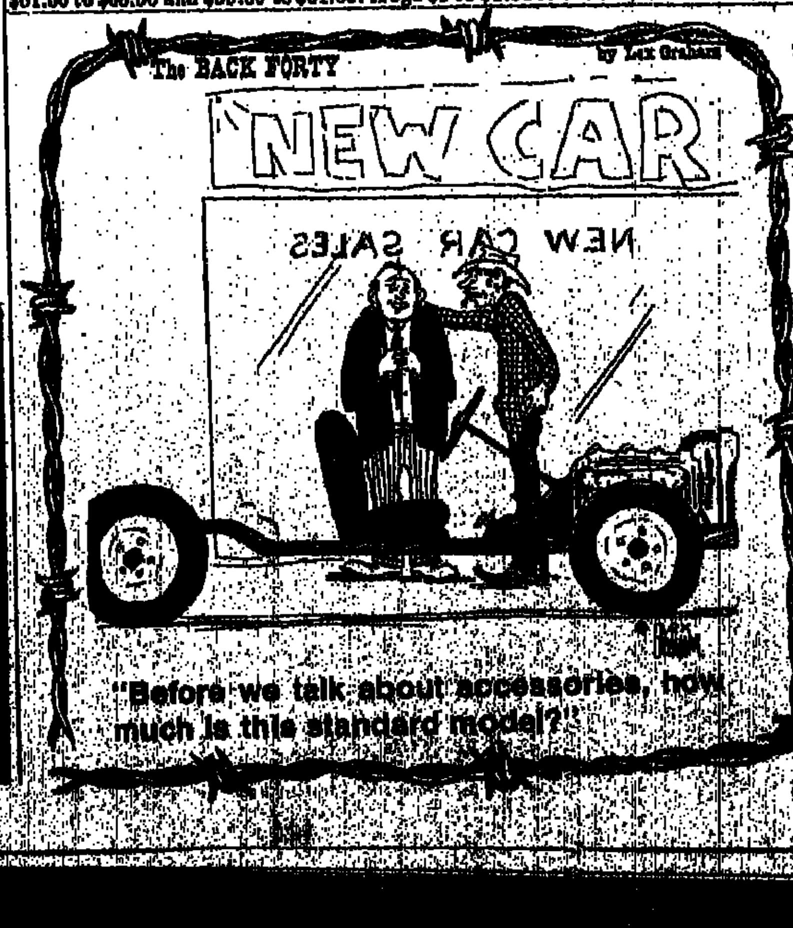
Fed Cattle Steady, Stronger, Butcher Hogs Mostly Sharply Lower at Markets

Around the major central markets on Monday cattle and hogs receipts were slightly larger than a week ago. The demand for fed cattle was stronger at most points, however, there was an incomplete clearance of 4 & 5 yield grade cattle at most markets well into midday and lower quotations on these wasty types. The low end of the choice and prime steer and heifer quotations generally represent those types. Hogs were sharply lower at nearly all markets. Slaughter cows and bulls sold little changed at most points. Price trends, quotations on choice and prime fed steers and heifers and on the mixed good and choice grades and on good and choice Holstein steers, and U.S. 1-3 hogs scaling mostly 200 to 280 pounds included:

OMAHA fed steers firm to 25c higher, spots 50c up. Heifers 25-50c higher. Steers $63.50 to $65.75 and $62.50 to $63.50. Holsteins $60.50 to $61. Heifers $61 to $63.50 and $61 to $62.25. Hogs $1.50 to $2 lower at $41 to $44. SIOUX CITY fed cattle steady. Steers $61 to $65 and $61 to $62. Holsteins $58.50. Heifers $59 to $62 and $59 to $60. Hogs $1 to $1.50 lower at $41 to $43.75.

ST. PAUL fed cattle steady. Steers $58 to $63.40 and $61 to $62. Holsteins $57.50 to $58.70. Heifers $60.50 to $62 and $59.50 to $60.50. Hogs 50c to $1.50 lower at $40 to $42.50. SIOUX FALLS fed cattle 50c to $1 lower. Steers $61 to $64 and $61.50 to $63. Holsteins $59.50 to $61. Heifers $60 to $62 and $57.50 to $59.50. Hogs $2.50 to $3 lower at $40.50 to $43.50.

JOLIET fed cattle steady to 50c higher, except 4's & 5's $1 to $1.50 off. Steers $60 to $65.50 on choice and prime and same grade heifers $62 to $64.25. Hogs $1.50 to $1.75 lower at $41.50 to $44.75. PEORIA fed steers steady to firm and heifers steady. Steers $61 to $65.50 and $62 to $63.50. Heifers $61 to $63.75 and $59 to $61. Hogs $1.50 to $2.50 lower at $41 to $44.50, late sales $48 down. ST. LOUIS compared to last Tuesday steers 50c to $1 higher and heifers $1 to $1.50 higher. Steers $63.50 to $65.50 and $62.50 to $64. Holsteins $53 to $58. Heifers $61.50 to $63.50 and $59.50 to $61.50. Hogs $1 to $1.50 lower at $41.50 to $44.



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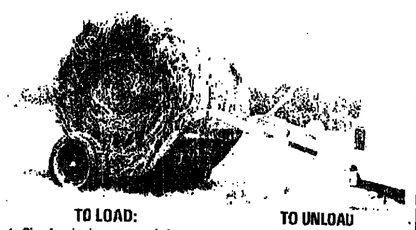

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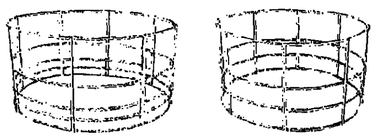

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Hearne, Texas — Jack Walling of Axtell, and Walter Drew of Hearne will hold a joint Simmental production sale on Saturday, Jan. 10, 1981, beginning at 1 p.m. in the new indoor sale barn on the Walter Drew Ranch on Farm to Market Road 391 two and one-half miles east of Hearne. This is a Texas Simmental Assn. approved sale.

Selling will be 125 lots including 100% fullblood Simmental bulls, 100% fullblood Simmental cows; purebred bulls; purebred cows with calf at side; bred purebred females; three-quarter cows with calf at side; bred three-quarter cows; and 25 service-age commercial bulls.

Hearne is on Highway 6, 70 miles south of Waco, or 20 miles north of Bryan.

Joe Mitcham of Hubbard, phone 817/576-2072, will be auctioneer for the sale.

Sale headquarters will be the Best Western Motel in Hearne, phone 713/279-3441.

Lunch will be served at 12 noon before the sale.

For information call: Jack Walling, Route 1, Axtell, Texas, phone 817/863-5066. Walter Drew's address is Route 2, Box 40, Hearne, Texas 77859, phone 713/869-4561.

Billy Harry, Rojak Brangus Bull Sale Jan. 3, Sulphur Springs

Sulphur Springs — Billy Harry, owner of Billy Harry Brangus at Sulphur Springs, and Roland and Jackie Young of Dallas, owners, and Wayne Foster, manager, of Rojak Brangus at Mt. Vernon, will host the "Cattleman" Brangus bull sale on Saturday, Jan. 3, 1981, beginning at 1 p.m., in the Regional Livestock Center here. MTG Ranch at Texarkana will be a guest consignor.

Selling will be 75 "of the best bulls in Texas." All are breeding age, Bangs, TB and fertility tested. Many are coming three-year-olds.

Auctioneer will be Ruben Reyes of San Antonio.

Lunch will be available sale day.

Sale Headquarters will be the Royal Inn, Sulphur Springs, phone 214/885-6577.

For additional information contact: Matt and Ann Syler, Syler Sales Management, Inc., Route 2, Box 35, Burton, Texas 77835, phone 713/289-4400, Tim Willett, 713/693-0466; Billy Harry Brangus, P. O. Box 166, Sulphur Springs, Texas 75482, phone 214/885-5568 at the office or 214/885-2429 at home; Roland and Jackie Young, owners, Rojak Ranch, 214/337-4751; 214/559-8555 in Dallas; Wayne Foster, manager, 214/537-4622 or 214/537-4282, Route 2, Box 91, Mt. Vernon, Texas 75457; or MTG Ranch, Herb Murray, P. O. Box 3786, Texarkana, Texas 75502, phone 214/838-5597.

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Pines & Plains Brangus Meeting, Sales Set Jan. 9 & 10, Ft. Worth

Fort Worth — The Pines & Plains Brangus Breeders Association will hold a dinner, annual membership meeting and election of officers and directors, a commercial Brangus female sale, and it's 10th Annual Pines & Plains Brangus Range Bull Sale on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 9 and 10, 1981, in Fort Worth.

Cattle for the sales will be available for inspection at Fort Worth Stockyards all day Friday, Jan. 9. A cocktail hour at the Green Oaks Inn will start at 7:30 p.m., and will be followed by a dinner at 8:30 p.m. Immediately following dinner, the annual membership meeting and election of officers and directors will take place.

The Pines & Plains commercial Brangus female sale will begin at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 10, at Fort Worth Stockyards. The 10th Annual Pines & Plains Brangus Range Bull sale will start at 1 p.m. at the Fort Worth Stockyards.

The females selling are mostly open and have been Bangs vaccinated. They are 700 highly select commercial Brangus heifers bred by Pines & Plains Brangus Breeders.

The 100 bulls selling are all mature breeding age, and weigh from 1,200 to 1,600 pounds. All are fertility, Bangs and TB tested. They include several top quality herd sire prospects ready to go back on registered cows.

This sale was formerly held in Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Auctioneers will be Reyes & Reyes of San Antonio.

Wanda Britton, P. O. Box 944, Gainesville, Texas 76240, is secretary of Pines & Plains Brangus Breeders Association. Sale chairman is Glenn Richardson, Route 5, Box 291, Longview, Texas 77662, phone 214/753-7648.

Further information on the sales is also available from the Sale Manager.

Shorthorn Bull Sale Set Jan. 17, Denver

Denver — Cagwin Cattle Services, Inc., of Virginia, Ill., will conduct the American Shorthorn Association's sale at the 1981 National Western Stock Show here at 7 p.m., Jan. 17. The Shorthorn show will have been held at 8 a.m. that morning.

Selling will be 35 bulls, making this one of the best sources of profit-making Shorthorn bulls, now in demand more than ever for their ability to sire productive, trouble-free mothers that wean heavy calves.

Other American Shorthorn Activities include the annual meeting at 9 a.m., Jan. 16 at the Denver Hilton Hotel; annual banquet and dance at 7 p.m., Jan. 16; and National Shorthorn Lassie event and activities Jan. 15-18.

For further information contact American Shorthorn Association, 8288 Hascall Street, Omaha, Nebr. or Cagwin Cattle Services Inc., P. O. Box 156, Virginia, Illinois 62691, phone 217/452-3051, Don Cagwin, 217/452-7520 or Darry Rahn, 217/452-3937.

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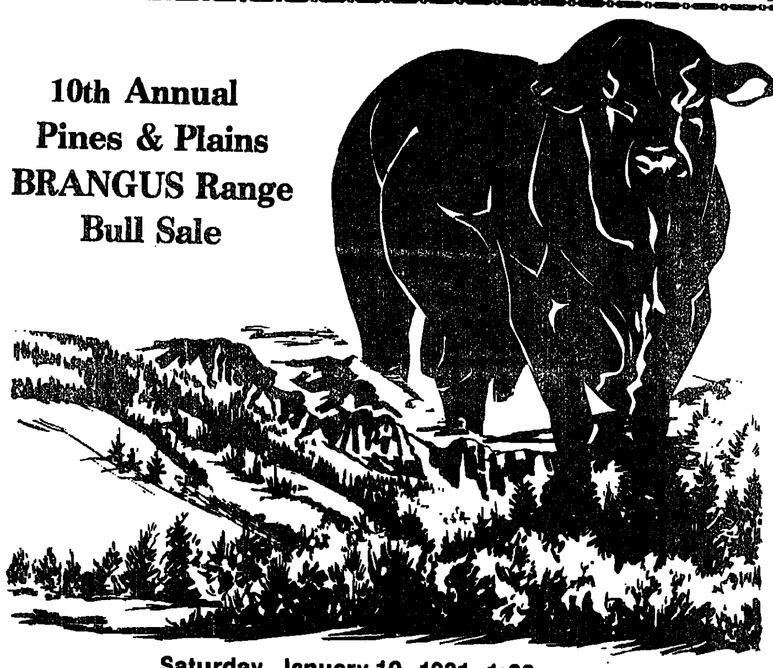

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Friday, Jan. 9, 1981 — 7:30 p.m. — Cocktail hour, Green Oaks Inn, Fort Worth.
Friday, Jan. 9 — 8:30 p.m. — Dinner, Green Oaks Inn, Fort Worth. Immediately following dinner, the annual membership meeting and election of officers and directors of Pines & Plains Brangus Breeders Association.
Saturday, Jan. 10 — 10:30 a.m. — Pines & Plains commercial Brangus Female sale, Fort Worth Stockyards, P&F Cattle Co., S/M.
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Fort Worth, Dec. 20 (F-S) — Slaughter cows fully 3.00 higher under short receipts due to holidays; not enough slaughter bulls sold early to test trade. Feeder steers and heifers generally steady. Trading active on slaughter cattle; fairly active on feeder cattle. Slaughter cows: Utility 2-3 48.00-50.00. Cutter 1-2 45.00-49.00. Canner 38.00-45.00. Feeder steers: Medium frame 1: 300-400 lbs 74.00-80.00; 400-500 lbs 70.00-75.00. Few large frame 1: 400-600 lbs 66.00-69.00. Feeder heifers: Medium frame 1: 300-400 lbs 62.00-67.50; 600-700 lbs 56.00-56.50. Stocker cows: Medium frame 1-2, 7-9 year old, 800-1000 lbs, pregnancy tested, 44.00-48.50.

Hogs 400: 1.00 lower. US 1-2 200-230 lbs 41.50-42.00. US 1-3 200-250 lbs 41.00-41.50. US 2-3 200-275 lbs 40.50-41.00. Sows unevenly steady; instances 3.00 higher. US 1-3 300-600 lbs 36.00-37.00, few at 40.00. Boars 300-700 lbs 27.00. 190-260 lbs 32.00-33.00.

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Angus Breeders Elect Woolever President

Myron Woolever, a registered Angus breeder from Unionville, Missouri, was elected president of the American Angus Association at the 97th Annual Meeting of Delegates, in Louisville, Ky.

Woolever, replaces Dave Pingrey, retiring president from Benton, Mississippi. The 279 delegates to the meeting, who were nominated and elected by the active life and regular members of the American Angus Association, elected Charles Cannon, Flemingsburg, Ky., as vice president, and elected five members to the Association board of directors.

The board members include one new member, Joe B. Neely of Franklin, Ky. Re-elected to their second full three year terms of office were Bill Bedingfield, Will Mar Angus, Oilton, Okla.; William G. Conley, manager of Gibbet Hill Farm, Groton, Mass.; A. F. Flint, Rafter F Bar Ranch, Bard, N.M.; and Henry Gardiner, Gardiner Angus Ranch, Ashland, Kan. Five members are elected to the Angus board each year.

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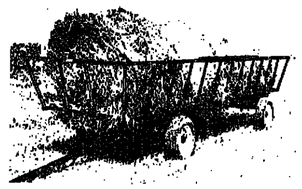

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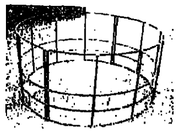

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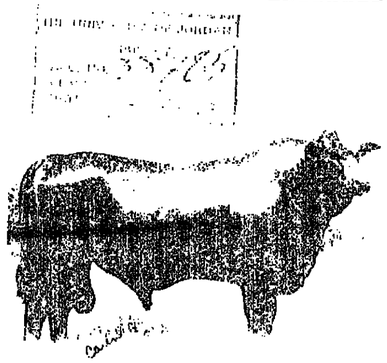

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Maine-Anjou News From Throughout North America

Maine-Anjou Activities, Sales Set At Fort Worth Show Feb. 6-7

Fort Worth — The Texas Maine-Anjou Association convention and sale and M-A Cattle Co. and Consignors sale will be held in Fort Worth Feb. 6 and 7, 1981.

The schedule of events is:

Feb. 6 — 4 p.m., Texas Maine-Anjou Assn. convention, Holiday Midtown.

Feb. 6 — 7 p.m., M-A Cattle Co. pre-sale supper, Northside Coliseum at Fort Worth Stockyards.

Feb. 6 — 8 p.m., M-A Cattle Co. and Consignors percentage Maine-Anjou sale, Northside Coliseum. Otto Streberg, Camrose, Alta., Canada, auctioneer.

Feb. 7 — 9 a.m., Texas Maine-Anjou open show, Fort Worth Stock Show Grounds.

Feb. 7 — 4 p.m., TMAA Full-blood Maine-Anjou sale, Fort Worth Stock Show Grounds, Streberg auctioneer.

Further information on the Texas Maine-Anjou Association activities and sale is available from Don Rhone, President, Box 752, Coleman, Texas 76834; or John Schuessler, Box 13, Llano, Texas 78643, phone 915/247-4048.

Information on the M-A Cattle Co. activities is available from Alan M. Weiss, president, 1341 W. Mockingbird Lane, Suite 801E, Dallas, Texas 75247, phones 214/634-2779, or 800/527-3182; or Bill Craig, manager, Route 5, Waxahachie, Texas 75165, phones 214/435-4402, 937-2061 or 634-2779.

Nominations for Area Bangs Committees Sought by TAHC

Austin — Commissioners of the Texas Animal Health Commission are requesting additional input from cowmen in implementing the Texas brucellosis program.

"We plan to have 15 area committees throughout the state made up of cattlemen to advise us in relation to the state's brucellosis program. We know we must have the cooperation of livestock producers, and we want their advice and counsel," John Armstrong, Kingsville, chairman, TAHC, said.

Names of livestock producers that would be considered for membership on the area committees are wanted. They can come through agricultural organizations or on an individual basis.

Armstrong said names could be submitted to any of the 15 area TAHC offices or the Texas Animal Health Commission, Box 12966, Austin, TX 78711.

Deadline for submitting nominees is Jan. 5, 1981.

"Thousands of Texas livestock producers as well as the entire cattle industry helped us to put the Texas brucellosis program together. The area committee system will give the commissioners additional suggestions and recommendations on how to best keep the program practical and affordable yet epidemiologically sound," Armstrong explained.

Art To Be Auctioned At AMAA Sale Jan. 16

Denver — Western paintings by three talented artists will be auctioned at the Denver Stockman's Market, Jan. 16, 1981, at 7 p.m. prior to the American Maine-Anjou Association's National Bull Sale at the National Western Stock Show.

The artists are Cindy Fauntz of Kansas city and a graduate of the University of Kansas who depicts subjects from the animals of nature, Western and European scenery; Ann Smith Hogue of Albany, Mo., a graduate of Missouri State Univ., Maryville, who does commercial advertising and calendar art in water colors and acrylics; and Jane King of Westcliffe, Colo., a graduate of Ohio State Univ., presently involved commercially in drawing, painting and graphics in subjects reflecting reality.

Senate Agriculture Committee Appointees

Assignments to the Senate Agriculture Committee for the 97th Congress, which convenes next month, have been made by both the Democrats and Republicans.

The Republicans, who will control the Senate in the next session of Congress, have named Jesse Helms (N.C.) chairman, and the following members in order of seniority: Robert Dole (Kans.), S. I. Hayakawa (Cal.), Richard G. Lugar, (Ind.), Thad Cochran (Miss.), Rudy Boschwitz (Minn.), Roger W. Jepsen (Iowa), Paula Hawkins (Fla.) and Mark Andrews (N.D.).

The Democrats have named the following committee members in order of seniority: Walter D. Huddleston (Ky.), ranking minority member, Patrick J. Leahy (Vt.), Edward Zorinsky (Neb.), John Melcher (Mont.), David Pryor (Ark.), David L. Boren (Okla.), Alan J. Dixon (Ill.) and Howell Heflin (Ala.).

Maine-Anjou National Meeting, Sales Set Jan. 15-17 In Denver

Denver — Three sales and the 10th annual membership meeting of the American Maine-Anjou Association will be held in Denver Jan. 15-17, 1981, during the 75th National Western Livestock Show.

Jan. 15, the National Maine-Anjou bull show, will be held at the Denver Stockyards at 2 p.m.

Jan. 16, a membership brunch will be held at 9 a.m.; an awards presentation will be made at 10 a.m.; and the annual membership meeting of AMAA will be held at 11 a.m., all in the Cosmopolitan Hotel.

The National Maine-Anjou bull sale will be held at 7 p.m., Jan. 16, in the Denver Stockman's Market.

On Jan. 17, the Black Maine-Anjou sale will be held.

Cattle at Oklahoma City Steady, Higher

Oklahoma City, Dec. 29 (USDA) — Receipts 1,000. Steers and heifers under 600 lb steady to firm; over 600 lb scarce; slaughter cows and bulls steady to $1.00 higher. Feeder steers: Medium frame No. 1 few 360-380 lb $81.00-81.50; 400-500 lb $74.50-79.00; lot 888 lb $70.20; lot 828 lb $68.90. Medium frame No. 1-2 300-400 lb $78.25-81.00; 450-550 lb $70.25-73.25. Heifers: Medium frame No. 1 280-350 lb $67.50-68.50; 400-500 lb $64.00-67.75; 500-550 lb $62.50-65.00; lot 718 lb $61.90. Medium frame No. 1-2 265-465 lb $61.25-64.50; 540-680 lb $59.00-63.25. Slaughter cows: Utility and commercial 2-3 $43.75-48.75; cutter 1-2 $42.00-45.50. Bulls: Yield grade 1-2 1350-1550 lb $54.00-58.00. Replacement and feeder cows: Medium frame No. 1-2 young cows $46.50-58.25; middle age $43.25-57.25.

Hogs 1,000: Uneven U.S. 1-2 210-250 lb steady to weak; others 50 cents to $1.00 lower. U.S. 1-2 210-250 lb $43.60-44.20. U.S. 1-3, mostly 2's 210-270 lb $42.50-43.10. Sows generally steady. U.S. 1-3 300-500 lb $35.00-38.00, few over 500 lb $39.60-40.00. Boars: All weights $30.00-32.90, one 210 lb $34.75. Feeder pigs: Firm to $1.00 higher. 210 head. U.S. 1-2 40-80 lb $34.25-35.25; 100-185 lb $34.00-39.00. U.S. 1-3 35-100 lb $30.00-32.25; 100-165 lb $30.00-33.75.

Feeders Firm, Higher At Amarillo Monday

Amarillo, Dec. 30 (F-S) — Receipts 2,751. Trading and demand good. Feeder steers and heifers over 500 lbs 1.00-2.00 higher, lighter weights steady to firm. Slaughter cows and stocker cows 1.00-2.00 higher, slaughter bulls steady. Feeder steers: Medium frame No. 1: 300-400 lb 78.50-82.25, lot whitefaces 84.25; 400-500 lb 73.00-76.50; 600-600 lb 72.00-75.00; 600-700 lb 72.50-74.50; 700-800 lb 70.00-73.00; lot 810 lb 72.00. Medium & large frame mixed No. 1-2: 300-400 lb 73.00-75.00; 400-500 lb 69.50-72.50; 500-600 lb 68.25-71.75; 600-700 lb 69.50-70.50. Large frame No. 2: 650-900 lb 57.00-52.50. Feeder & cutting bulls: Medium frame No. 1-2: 700-900 lb 57.00-59.00. Feeder heifers: Medium frame No. 1: 300-400 lb Whiteface 72.25-74.00, bulk 64.00-69.00; 400-500 lb 64.00-67.00; 500-600 lb 62.00-66.75; 600-700 lb 61.00-65.50; 700-800 lb 63.00-63.75. Medium & large frame mixed No. 1-2: 300-400 lb 61.50-65.00; 400-600 lb 60.00-63.00. Slaughter cows: Utility 2-3 40.00-43.00. High dressing 46.00-48.00; canner & cutter 1-2 35.00-38.50. Bulls: YG 1-2 few lots 1625-2225 lb 52.50-57.50. Stocker & feeder cows: Medium frame No. 1-2: Aged cows 900-960 lb 43.75-48.50.

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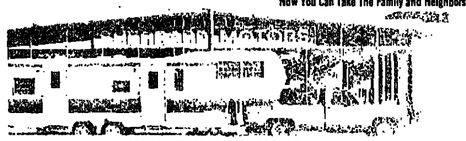

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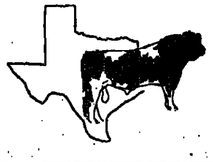

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Violeta Beefmaster's 20th Production Sale Jan. 17, Hebbronville

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Selling will be 103 lots including two herd bulls; 48 other bulls, and 55 female lots including bred and open heifers and cow-calf pairs.

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Auctioneers and sale managers will be Ruben Reyes and Anthony Mihalski, 118 West Nakoma, San Antonio, Texas 78216, phone 512/349-2185.

This sale is approved by Foundation Beefmaster Association.

For further information, contact Violeta Beefmasters, Humberto Garza, owner, P. O. Box 673, Hebbronville, Texas 78361, phone 512/527-3929.

Futures

Omaha, Dec. 29 (USDA) — Trading from Chicago Mercantile Exchange:

Month	Sett Pr	Prev Sett	Sales
Choice Steer Futures:			
Jan	65.17	65.30	43
Feb	67.80	67.35	5603
Apr	69.90	69.35	2741
Jun	71.57	71.15	1661
Aug	71.60	71.22	532
Oct	70.25	70.05	34
Dec	71.00	70.65	16
Total			10630
Choice Feeder Steers:			
Jan	72.50	72.85	84
Mar	76.12	75.47	952
Apr	76.95	76.25	360
May	77.10	76.30	215
Aug	77.90	77.15	86
Sep	76.90	76.30	
Oct	76.75	76.25	
Total			1647
Live Hogs:			
Feb	58.57	50.07	271
Apr	50.87	52.37	114
Jun	55.02	55.52	58
Jul	56.12	57.62	42
Aug	55.77	57.27	23
Oct	54.15	55.65	4
Dec	55.85	57.35	2
Feb	58.50	60.00	5
Apr	58.50	60.00	
Total			519
Frozen Pork Bellies:			
Feb	58.57	60.57	130
Mar	59.52	61.52	73
May	62.05	64.05	54
Jul	64.75	66.75	69
Aug	64.40	66.40	16
Total			342

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November Red Meat Production Off 6%

Commercial red meat production for the United States during November 1980 totaled 3.10 billion pounds, down 6% from November 1979. January-November red meat production at 35.2 billion pounds was 3% more that last year. The 1980 accumulated production changes by individual components were: beef, up less than 1%; veal, down 9%; pork, up 8%; lamb and mutton, up 8%.

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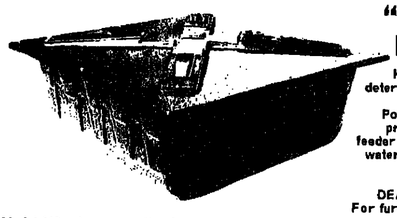

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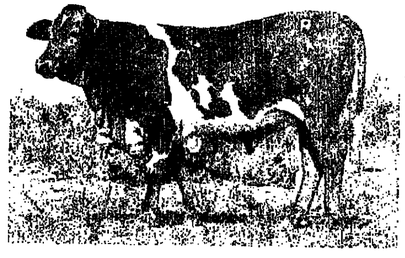

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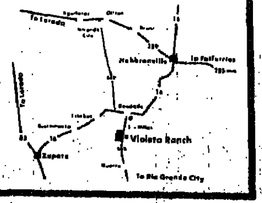

TEXAS Hereford NEWS

Texas Hereford's Select Bull, Commercial Heifer Sales Feb. 1, Ft. Worth

Fort Worth — The Texas Hereford Association's Texas Select Bull Sale and Commercial Hereford Heifer Sale on Sunday, Feb. 1, 1981, in the sale barn at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth will be an opportunity for new breeders to get into the Hereford business, or established breeders to enhance the quality of their herds with some of the best Herefords available anywhere.

Selling will be 19 of the best Hereford herd bull prospects in Texas; and 500 quality bred and open commercial Hereford heifers.

A heifer show will begin at 8 a.m. that day and the heifer sale at 1 p.m. The bull sale will follow at 3 p.m.

The bulls selling represent some of the nation's top breeding from some of the nation's leading Hereford breeders including: Weldon Edwards, Clyde; Granite Hills Hereford Ranch, Llano; B&C Cattle Co., Miami; V Bar Ranch, Stanton; Harry Born, Follett; Leroy Born, Follett; W. Perry Bolin, McKinney; Bobby Wood, Groom; Van Winkle Ranch, Buffalo; Lee Campbell Ranch, Dublin; Barber Ranch, Channing; Henke's Triple H Ranch, Fredericksburg; Jackson Bros., Abilene; Timmons Herefords, Weatherford; Ray Murphy, Brownsville; Valle Verde Ranch, Jonesboro; and J. R. Parisher, Cherokee.

Heifer consignors are: Coates Ranch Co., Big Lake; Coldwater Cattle Co., Amarillo; MO Cattle Co., Albany; M. Samsom Cattle Co., Fort Worth; Swen R. Swenson Cattle Co., Stamford; Richard Windham, Baird; Paul Dauer, Panhandle; Double U Hereford Ranch, Post; Edgar Hutcheson, Paint Rock; Lathem Ranch, Dalhart; L. C. McDonald & Sons, Sterling City; J. A. Matthews Ranch Co., Albany; Don Parker, Dalhart; Summerour Bros., Dalhart; and J. C. Vineyard, Kress.

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Hereford Show at Denver Biggest in Quarter of Century

Kansas City — Hereford breeders attending the 1981 edition of the National Western Stock Show in Denver will have the opportunity to witness the largest array of Herefords in more than a quarter of a century.

A total of 763 head have been entered for the individual halter classes "on the hill," with nearly 50 entries in the carload show division, making for a total of almost 1500 entries. This total does not include the large number that will be shown in the commercial feeder calves and heifer division.

The 1981 National Western has two special commemorative anniversaries being celebrated. The American Hereford Association is celebrating its 100 anniversary, and the National Western Stock Show its 75th.

"We fully expect the 1981 National Western to be the biggest Hereford event in many decades," says H. H. Dickenson, American Hereford Association executive vice-president. "For the first time in history, for Herefords or any other breed, exhibitors will be competing for a total of $100,000 in prize money in a single show," Dickenson added.

Indications are that this will be the largest gathering of Hereford enthusiasts at National Western Hereford activities in many years. In addition, more than 50 foreign Hereford breeders have made plans to attend, representing 11 different countries.

The 624 head entered in the Register of Merit halter class judging is the largest number entered in more than a quarter century, and is only a few head fewer than the record set 25 years ago when the AHA and the National Western were celebrating their 75th and 50th anniversaries.

The 99 head of Hereford heifers entered in the junior division heifer show make this the largest of the junior breed shows, and the 40 head of Hereford steers make up the largest number of any breed in the steer division.

The highly unique carload bull division, which features 12 head of yearling bulls and 15 head of bull calves, has an increase of some 30 percent from last year.

The major Hereford activities will commence on January 14 with the Hereford steers; Hereford heifers in the junior division will be judged on January 15. The carload bulls will be placed on January 17 and 18, with the ROM halter classes scheduled on January 19 and the Pacesetter Hereford Sale being held on January 20.

Henderson-Stoker, Patterson Bros. & Creighton Hereford Sale At Big Spring Jan. 10

Big Spring, Texas — A joint production sale of three of West Texas' leading Hereford breeders will be held Saturday, Jan. 10, 1981, at the Patterson Bros. Ranch, six miles southwest of Big Spring.

Selling will be 87 Hereford bulls, that are big and rugged, and bred for performance with time-tested bloodlines.

Hereford Activities Coming Up . . .

Jan. 8-9 — Sand Hills Hereford Show, Odessa.
Jan. 10 — Creighton, Patterson Bros., Henderson-Stoker Production Sale, Big Spring.
Jan. 17-20 — National Western Hereford Show & Sale, Denver.
Feb. 1 — Texas Select Bull and Commercial Hereford heifer sale, Fort Worth.
Feb. 2 — ROM Hereford Show, Fort Worth.
Feb. 7 — South Texas Hereford Association Sale, Beeville.
Feb. 13 — Gulf Coast Hereford Association Sale, Columbus.
Feb. 23 — West Texas Hereford Association Sale, Abilene.
Feb. 27 — Hereford Show, Houston Stock Show.
Feb. 28 — Lone Star Test Center Sale, Wickett.
Mar. 5 — Conkwright Production Sale, Hereford.
Mar. 6 — Born Hereford Production Sale, Follett.
Mar. 7 — Sell Hereford Production Sale, Booker.
Mar. 11 — Schmidt Hereford Ranch Production Sale, Mason.
Mar. 14 — Greater Hill Country Hereford Assn. Sale, Fredericksburg.
Mar. 18 — Top O' Texas Association Sale, Pampa.
Mar. 27-28 — Southwest Hereford Symposium, Gainesville.
Mar. 29-Apr. 1 — TSCRA Convention, Fort Worth.
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Taft-Messner 22nd Hereford Sale Set Jan. 31, Laverne, OK

Laverne, Okla. — Robert (Bob) Taft, and Milton and Van Messner, will conduct the 22nd annual production sale of Taft & Messner Herefords on Saturday, Jan. 31, in the Messner's heated sale barn at 12:30 p.m., CST. The sale barn is six miles south and 11 miles west of Laverne, Okla., then one mile south of Highway 270.

Selling will be 100 service-age bulls and 55 bred heifers. Free delivery up to 300 miles will be made on purchases of $5,000.

Service sires include DH D4 Mischief 5, Tex K87 L934; Tex K37 H448; Prospector 0716, SM Spur Domino 600; L1 Domino 031; FW M L1 Dom B76412; LHR L1 Domino 7679. "The Judge," and others.

Auctioneers will be George Morse and Guy Shull.

For further information on the sale offering from these Total Performance Records herds, contact: Robert (Bob)) Taft, Laverne, Oklahoma 73848, phone 405/627-4584; or Milton or Van Messner, Laverne, Oklahoma 73484, phone 405/627-5384.

26 Bar Hereford Sale Set Feb. 9 At Stanfield, Ariz.

Stanfield, Ariz. — Louis Johnson of Stanfield and Marvin Meek, Manager, of Springerville, Ariz., will host the 26 Bar Ranch's 14th Annual Hereford production sale on Feb. 9, 1981.

WT Hereford Bull Sale Set Feb. 23 In Abilene

Abilene, Texas — At a meeting of the Sales Committee of the West Texas Hereford Association it was confirmed that the Annual Bull Sale will be held Monday, Feb. 23, 1981, at the West Texas Fairgrounds. There will be approximately 70 Registered Hereford Bulls from some of the top herds in Texas. All bulls consigned must meet the approval of a screening committee and health certificates will be provided in order that the bulls may be transported anywhere in the United States. Also, each bull will have had a generation pedigree check from the American Hereford Association. The sale will start at 1 p.m. with a Bar-B-Q lunch available on the grounds

The offering will feature 100 bulls selected for bone, thickness, length and volume, the traits that make a cowman money; and 50 bred and open females, some of the 26 Bar's very best. The bred heifers are carrying the service of GK Pay Dirt and JC MO LE 719.

The bulls selling include sons of and a half-brother to "Golden Treasure," and sons of "Big Arthur," "Pay Dirt," and "Golden Britisher."

For further information contact Louis Johnson, Stanfield, Arizona, 604/424-3475 at home; or 602/424-3314 at the office; or Marvin Meek, P. O. Box 656, Springerville, Arizona 85938, phone 602/333-2125. The ranch is two miles west and four miles north of Stanfield.

Stephens Co. Okla. Hereford Sale Set Feb. 7, Comanche

Comanche, Okla.—The Stephens County, Okla., Livestock Association's Hereford sale will be held at noon.

The Sales Committee, Consignors and Membership are looking forward to this upcoming sale as they are expecting to bring in many Texas buyers with the new sales promotions they have planned. The quality of cattle was superior this past year and the association sale drew many area buyers that knew of the fine reputation of the consignors. The quality was excellent, the average was good.

For further information contact the West Texas Hereford Asan., P. O. Box 431, Abilene, Texas 79604.

Young County Hereford Sale Grosses $49,625

Graham, Texas —In the 21st annual Young County Hereford Breeders Association sale here Dec. 3, the 49 bulls sold for $49,625 to average $1,013, according to W. F. Whittenburg, association president.

The sale was topped by a bull consigned by Trammell-Swanson Muleshoe Ranch of Breckenridge and purchased by Jerome Spivey of Henrietta for $1,450. Second high selling bull was consigned by Steele Bros. of Graham andf purchased by W. K. Gordon, Jr., of Fort Worth, for $1,375. Third high bull was from Trammell-Swanson Ranch and purchased by Bennie Slater of Graham for $1,325.

R. W. King of Graham was top volume buyer, taking eight bulls for a total of $8,075. Johnson Ranch of Graford bought four bulls for $3,855; and Key Bros. of Olney bought three bulls for $3,285.

The bulls averaged $41.83 more per head than last year.

Walter Britten of Bryan, the auctioneer, thought this was the best set of bulls the association has offered since he has been handling the sale, according to Whittenburg.

Lone Star Testing Center Bulls Gaining

Record gains have been set on the first 28 days of the Lone Star Hereford Bull Test. conditions have been almost perfect and the bulls are feeling good and off to the best start ever. Due to the good gains, the exercise program has been stepped up earlier than usual. There are more 2 year old bulls on this test than ever before and prospects for an outstanding group of sale bulls that are ready to turn out are good.

It should be remembered that there is compensatory gain on the first two or three weights and that the bulls will level off to gains of 2.5 to 4 lbs. at the end of the test. Bulls on the Lone Star Test would probably gain more if they were fed a hotter feedlot ration or had less exercise. But due to these facts the bulls will be athletic and ready for work by sale day. Lone Star is not only a performance test but a complete development program for rugged range bulls.

Oklahoma Hereford Offers 300 Bulls Jan. 27 in Durant

Durant, Okla. — The Fifth Annual Durant Hereford bull sale will be held Tuesday, an. 27, 1981 beginning at 11 a.m. in the Durant Stock Yards.

Selling will be 300 Hereford bulls in the sale sponsored by the Oklahoma Hereford Association.

Oklahoma Hereford Association reports that figures from the American Hereford Association for the dates inclusive of Sept. 1, 1979 through Aug. 30, 1980, there were 20,611¼ Hereford bulls sold at auction during the 12 months period.

Guy Shull, secretary-fieldman for OHA, said, "There is a reason. Hereford bulls aren't cheaper, they are a better buy."

"We invite everyone to join these intelligent investors, Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1981 at the fifth Annual Durant Bull Sale, a sale that has built a good reputation for quality and volume," he added.

Further information is available from the sponsor, Oklahoma Hereford Association, Guy Shull, secretary-fieldman, P. O. Box 160, Elgin, Oklahoma 73538, phone 405/492-4815 or 492-4706.

Henderson-Stoker, Patterson Bros. & Creighton Hereford Sale At Big Spring Jan. 10

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Breeders contributing to this joint production sale are Henderson-Stocker, Roy Henderson of Big Spring and Guy and Richard Stocker of Snyder; Malcolm L. and Morris Patterson Bros., and Charlie Creighton of Big Spring.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., and the sale will begin at 12:30 p.m. in the heated sale barn on the Patterson Bros. Ranch on Rockhouse Road. The sale site may be reached by taking Howard County Road 17 at the Caulk Road Exit off Interstate 20 west of Big Spring, or FM 700 off I-20 east of Big Spring to Wasson Road, then south to Rockhouse Road and west to the sale barn.

For further information contact Henderson-Stoker, Roy Henderson, SC Rt., Box 174, Big Spring, Texas, phone 915/644-2061; Guy or Richard Stoker, Box 244, Snyder, Texas 79549, phones 915/573-2924 or 915/573-9466; Patterson Bros., P. O. Box 991, Big Spring, Texas 79720, Malcolm L. Patterson, 915/263-7170, or Morris Patterson, 915/263-3331; or Charlie Creighton, Box 1628, Big Spring, Texas 79720, phone 915/263-2562. Ken Froese is herdsman at the Creighton Ranch on Highway 80 west of Big Spring.

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Southwestern Brahman Bull Sale Set Jan. 17 In San Angelo

San Angelo, Texas — Gayle Ingram, of Quitman, Texas, sale manager and auctioneer, will conduct the Southwestern Brahman Bull Sale at Producers Livestock Auction here beginning at 1 p.m., Jan. 17.

Selling will be 70 registered Brahman bulls including 50 gray Brahmans and 20 Red Brahmans. The offering includes some herd bull prospects and a good selection of range bulls, selected from some of the leading Brahman breeders in Texas.

All the bulls will be fertility tested and ready for interstate shipment.

For information and a free catalog, contact: Gayle Ingram, Sales Manager and Auctioneer, Box 159, Quitman, Texas 75783, phone 214/878-2225.

AMPI Pays Back Nearly $4,000,000 to Association Members

Arlington, Texas — Recently Associated Milk Producers, Inc. (AMPI), Southern Region paid back nearly $4 million in capital retains to 6,945 members and former members. The money, collected during the 1973 fiscal year, was used to finance the operation of the organization.

According to E. L. "Jiggs" Wise, region manager, "This repayment of funds is on schedule with our repayment plan and is in keeping with the AMPI philosophy that current members, who receive the benefits, should provide operating capital."

Wise mentioned several areas in which AMPI has been instrumental in improving conditions for dairy farmers in the South and Southwest. He cited higher market prices for raw milk and a more stable milk market.

The recent repayment was authorized by the AMPI Corporate Board at the October meeting. Since its beginning in 1969, AMPI has returned equities to its members totaling $80,942,024.

ABBA Names Cowart Communications Director

Houston — Cecilia (Ce) Cowart of Katy, Tx. has joined the staff of the American Brahman Breeders Association as the director of communication, according to Wendell Schronk, executive secretary for the association.

Ce, 24, is a 1979 graduate of Texas A & M University where she received her B. S. in agriculture journalism. While at Texas A & M, she served as the assistant to the communications department print editor for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

She will be responsible for the association's information and public relations program.

Record High U.S. Wheat Crop

Farmers in the U.S. seeded a record high 68.9 million acres of winter wheat in the fall of 1980 for the 1981 crop. This is 11 percent more than last year's 57.4 million acres, and 5 percent above the previous record high of 61.2 million acres seeded in the fall of 1948.

Winter wheat production for 1981, based on condition of the crop on December 1, 1980 is forecast at a record high 1.98 billion bushels. This is 5 percent more than the production in 1980. Seeded yield is forecast at 30.9 bushels per acre. In comparison, last year's average was 32.9 bushels per planted acre.

Texas wheat seeded in the fall of 1980 for pasture or harvest in 1981 is forecast at 7,700,000 acres, up 13 percent from seedings last year. This is the largest wheat acreage ever seeded in Texas, surpassing the old record of 7,587,000 acres seeded in the fall of 1946. Based on December 1 conditions, 1981 production is expected to total 154 million bushels which eclipses the previous record of 138 million bushels produced in 1979.

Wheat plantings began in late August but got off to a slow start. Dry conditions throughout September slowed planting and many fields were dusted in. Rains in late September and October spurred planting activity and improved germinations. Planting was virtually complete by the end of November. Many fields remain moisture stressed and are producing only limited grazing.

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Harrell Sets 1981's Biggest Beefmaster Bull Sale Jan. 23

Gonzales, Texas — Harrell Cattle Company's "The Stockman II" Beefmaster bull sale will be held Friday, Jan. 23, 1981, beginning at 12 noon, at Harrell's Lake Ranch Headquarters at Gonzales.

This Beefmaster Breeders Universal approved sale will feature 300 Harrell Beefmaster bulls, performance tested and selected for Harrell's annual Showcase Bull Sale. They are young, ready to breed, quality Beefmaster bulls. This will be the largest Beefmaster bull sale of 1981.

The "Stockman II" Beefmaster bull sale is a commercial cowman's event. Harrell Cattle Company is offering the kind of bulls that commercial operators demand . . . growthy, hardy, with the ability and desire to cover ground and breed.

For further information, contact: Harrell Cattle Co., P. O. Box 925, Gonzales, Texas 78629, phone 512/672-6504; or Fred Thompson, Sale Manager, 8603 Crownhill, Suite #22, San Antonio, Texas 78209, phone 512/828-1680.

Gulf Coast Beefmaster Bull and Female Sale Jan. 24 At El Campo

El Campo, Texas — The Gulf Coast Area Beefmaster bull and female sale will be held Saturday, Jan. 24, 1981, at the El Campo Livestock Commission Co. here, beginning at 1 p.m. following lunch at noon.

Selling will be 60 herd bulls, herd bull prospects, commercial bulls; and 40 female lots. These cattle are from the top of five great herds: Bill Naiser of El Campo; Andrew Rod of El Campo; Jerome Dorotik of El Campo; George Brown of Bay City; and Pete Merta, Jr., El Campo.

The cattle were bred and proven in the Gulf Coast area where performance is the key, and does make a difference.

This is a Beefmaster Breeders Universal approved sale.

For information contact the sale managers and auctioneers, Ruben Reyes and Anthony Mihalski, 118 West Nakoma, San Antonio, Texas 78216, phone 512/349-2185.

Harrell Beefmasters Set Record with $2,649,000 Sale

Gonzales — "The Signature" Beefmaster sale held by Harrell Cattle Co. here set new breed and industry records when $2,649,000 was paid for 578 and three-fourths lots of Harrell Beefmasters for an average of $4,544 Nov. 24 and 25. Fred Thompson of Thompson Cattle Marketing, San Antonio, managed the sale and auctioneers were Gerald Bowie of West Point, Ga., and Ruben Reyes and Anthony Mihalski of San Antonio. Advertising and publicity was produced by The Outfit, Arlington, Texas.

Summary

No. Type	Gross	Avg.
36¼ bulls	352,200	9,716
542½ female lots	2,296,800	4,234

The sale featured disposal of all cows born in 1977 or before in the Harrell cowherd. Upwards of 1,500 persons attended, braving cold and wet weather the second day.

"The Changer" bull started off the sale on a total bid of $100,000 for one-quarter interest and 500 units of semen by Circle J Farms, Ruston, La.

Singer Beefmasters of Corpus Christi paid $36,000 for the highest selling female, a four-year-old cow.

Buyers purchasing more than $50,000 worth were: Circle J Farms, 167 lots for $813,000; American Breeds International, Belle Glade, Fla., 55 lots for $364,000; Dr. David Brown, Ft. Myers, Fla., 92 lots for $352,900; H. J. Calderone, Monclova, Coahuila, Mexico, 11 lots for $81,100; Singer Beefmasters, Three Rivers, four lots for $64,500; Walter Merrick, Sayre, Okla., 15 lots for $63,200; Bob Stingley of Pawhuska,

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"Profitable Plan" Theme for Crossbreeding Field Day May 14

Crossbreeding for more profit through more pounds of weaned calf will be the central theme of a May 14, 1981, field day planned by the American Brahman Breeders Ass'n., American Polled Hereford Ass'n., and Beefmaster Breeders Universall.

Hosted by Chisholm Trail Ranch, Rhome, Texas, the field day is designed to show commercial cattlemen how they can use crosses of the breeds represented to add pounds across the scales and dollars in their pockets.

"We'll have producers on the day-long program sharing their experiences with crossing these three profit-oriented breeds," said officials from the sponsoring associations. "All commercial cattlemen are urged to attend this program designed with their specific needs and questions in mind. They'll see how well-planned, systematic crossbreeding can affect reproductive performance in their cow herds and how they can use these systems to produce more pounds of weaned calf."

Commercial producers with years of practical crossbreeding experience will share program duties with other industry leaders. Those attending will have the opportunity to inspect and evaluate how the Brahman, Polled Hereford and Beefmaster breeds can contribute to a crossbreeding program.

The crowd of more than 1,500 persons established a world record of $2,649,000 on 578 and three-fourths lots making Harrell Cattle Company's "The Signature" the "greatest Beefmaster sale over," Nov. 24-25.

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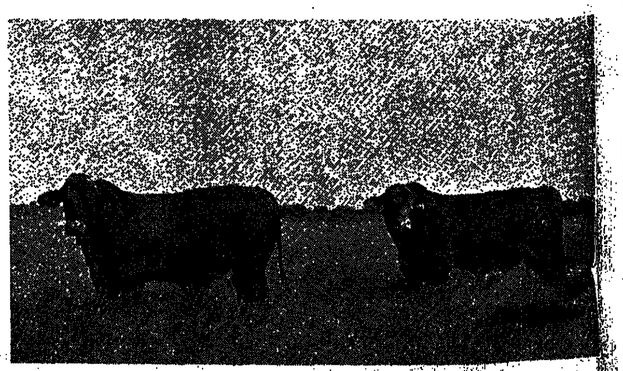

Live Oak Beefmaster Commercial Bull Sale Set Jan. 9

Three Rivers, Texas — The Live Oak County Beefmaster Breeders Association will hold a Beefmaster Breeders Universal approved commercial bull sale on Friday, Jan. 9, 1981, beginning at 1 p.m. following lunch at noon in the Live Oak County Fairgrounds located between George West and Three Rivers on Highway 281.

Selling will be 150 Beefmaster bulls.

For further information contact the Sale Managers and Auctioneers, Reyes & Mihalski, 118 West Nakoma, San Antonio, Texas 78216, phone 512/349-2185; or George DuRose, president of LCBBA, Route 1, Box 30, Three Rivers, Texas 78071, phone 512/786-3038.

Harrell Beefmasters Set Record with $2,649,000 Sale

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Okla., 20 lots for $63,200; Tawannah Farms, Decatur, Ala., 25 lots for $57,100; and Running ML Beefmasters, Houston, seven lots for $52,900.

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Barfield Sets January Beefmaster Sale

Fred Barfield Farms' "Sixth Edition" Beefmaster Sale, Part I, is set for January 26, 1981. The sale will be held at Barfield's purebred headquarters north of Immokalee, Florida, starting at 10 A.M. Gerald Bowie will be auctioneer.

The sale features a combination of at least four aged proven herd sires; four, three year old herd sires; several yearling herd sire prospects; and 25 breeding age commercial bulls. The sale also features about 35 female lots including pairs, bred and open females.

A tremendous young half-brother to the record-setting "Warrior III" bull will lead off the sale. The bull, which will be 16 months old at sale time, is bred almost identically to "Warrior III" — a grandson of "Crimson Warrior" sired by "Robert E. Lee." Many experienced Beefmaster breeders rank this "spot side" "Warrior" grandson in the same class, in quality and performance, with "Warrior III," the young bull which sold for $400,000 for half interest at Barfield's last sale.

The pairs and bred females carry the breeding and influence of "Legacy," "Ben," "Red Cloud" and other proven sires. Two open daughters of "Robert E. Lee" will sell.

The aged bull offering includes four top proven breeding bulls — "Big Tom," a Lasater-bred bull which has sired some of the top producing cattle in the Barfield herd; "War Paint," a top performing Circle Dot bred bull; "Barfield's Blaze," sire of "Red Cloud" and other top performing cattle; and "Colorado Red," another high performing Lasater-brod bull.

The three year old bulls include sons of "Gator," "War Paint," and "Big Tom." They are supported with individual records of performance and progeny performance.

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Headquarters for the sale is the Rodeway Inn, Ft. Myers, Florida. For more information or reservations, call or write Fred Barfield Farms, P. O. Drawer D, Immokalee, Florida 33934, (813) 657-3611.

Rod's Flying Bar Beefmaster Sale Jan. 31, Sealy

Sealy — A. J. Rod's Flying Bar Ranch will hold a Beefmaster Breeders Universal approved bull sale on Saturday, Jan. 31, 1981, beginning at 1 p.m., in the Port City Stockyards here.

Selling will be 75 rugged Beefmaster bulls, including many herd sire prospects. All the bulls are fertility tested.

Rod says the Flying Bar Ranch

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1-8/9—COBA A.I. and Palpation School, Stephenville, TX
1-8/11—Arizona National Livestock Show, Phoenix, AZ
1- 9—South Texas & Live Oak County Beefmaster Breeders Assn. Sale, Three Rivers, TX
1-10—Jack Walling Percentage Simmental Dispersal, Walter Drew Auction Barn, Hearne, TX
1-10—Pines & Plains Brangus Bull & Commercial Female Sale, Ft. Worth, S/M P & F Cattle Co.
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1-17—Southwestern Brahman Bull Sale, San Angelo, S/M Gayle Ingram & John Fisher
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1-31—A. J. Rod Beefmaster Bull Sale, Sealy, TX
2- 1—Commercial Hereford Female & Herd Bull Sale, Fort Worth
2- 1—Shorthorn Cowtown Classic Sale, Fort Worth, (3:00 PM)
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2-25—FAZA-Zebu Sale, Houston, TX, 5:00 P.M.
2-25—1981 National Brahman Sale, Houston, TX, S/M World Sales
2-26—International Charbray Sale, Auction Sale, Arena, Astrohall, Houston, TX
2-26—Texas Chianina Assn. Sale, Houston, TX, 4:00 P.M.
2-26—Bluebonnet Pick of the Breed Brangus Sale, Houston, TX, 8:00 P.M., S/M P & F Cattle Co.
2-27—National Pinzgauer Sale, Houston, TX, S/M World Sales
2-27—16th Annual Charolais Sale of Sales, Houston Livestock Show, Houston, TX
2-27—South Texas Beefmaster Breeders Assn. Futurity Show & Sale, Houston, TX
2-27—American Black Maine-Anjou Limited Edition Sale, Houston, TX, 6:00 P.M.
2-27—Mr. & Mrs. Bluebonnet Brangus Sale, Houston, TX, S/M P & F Cattle Co.
2-28—Polled Santa Gertrudis Assn. Sale, Houston, TX, S/M Santa Services
2-28—Texas Limousin Assn. Sale, Houston, TX, S/M American Cattle Service
2-28—Dick Goswick Beefmaster Prod. Sale, El Campo, TX
2-28—Santa Gertrudis Super Sale, Houston, TX, 10:00 A.M., Superior Sales
2-28—Texas Maine-Anjou Assn. Sale, Houston, TX, 4:00 P.M.
2-28—Branch Valley Hereford Ranch Invitational Bull Sale, Winona, TX, S/M Gayle Ingram
3- 1—Houston Stock Show All-Breed Bull Sale & Commercial Female Sale, Houston, 1:00 P.M.
3- 1—Texas Simmental Assn. Sale, Houston, TX, 3:30 P.M.
3- 2—Healey Bros. Flying L Hereford Prod. Sale, Davis, OK
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3-17—Sauer Hereford Ranch Mature Cowherd Dispersal, McAlester, OK
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McDaniel Beefmaster Sale Set Feb. 14

Three Rivers, Texas — Ken McDaniel will hold a Beefmaster sale on Saturday, Feb. 14, 1981, with lunch at 12 noon and the sale beginning at 1 p.m. in the Live Oak County Beefmaster Sale Barn located on Highway 281 between Three Rivers and George West.

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South Texas Beefmaster Futurity And Sale Feb. 27 In Houston

Houston — Wayne Miller of Three Rivers, president of the South Texas Beefmaster Breeders Association, has announced that $15,000, the most money ever offered in a Beefmaster Futurity Show, will be tendered to persons showing in the STBBA Futurity Show at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo on Friday, Feb. 27.

This Beefmaster Breeders Universal approved sale will be offering 70 seedstock replacement type females, all out of the original Sullivan cows, and one of the greatest concentrations of Sullivan breeding ever offered for sale, including a great combination of Sullivan bred heifers bred to Checkmate, Outlaw and Wrangler. This is an opportunity to start a breeding program from one great bloodline.

A cowboy breakfast will be served at 10 a.m. and the sale will begin at 11 a.m.

Sale headquarters will be the Marriott Inn, Houston, phone 713/797-9000.

For information contact Richard (Dick) Goswick, 5222 Northwest Trail, Corpus Christi, Texas 78410, phone 512/241-1291 at the office, or 512/241-7264 at home; or Ruben Reyes and Anthony Mihalski, Sale managers and auctioneers, 118 West Nakoma, San Antonio, Texas 78216, phone 512/349-2185.

Goswick Beefmaster Genetic Edge Sale Feb. 28, El Campo

El Campo, Texas — Richard (Dick) Goswick of Corpus Christi will host a Beefmaster "Genetic Edge" production sale at the El Campo Livestock facilities at the intersection of Highways 59 and 71 Saturday Feb. 28, 1981.

This official Beefmaster Breeders Universal approved sale will be offering 70 seedstock replacement type females, all out of the original Sullivan cows, and one of the greatest concentrations of Sullivan breeding ever offered for sale, including a great combination of Sullivan bred heifers bred to Checkmate, Outlaw and Wrangler. This is an opportunity to start a breeding program from one great bloodline.

Sale time will be 10 a.m. in the Astrohall auction arena.

Miller invites everyone to make plans now to attend the most prestitious Beefmaster sale of the year.

Sale headquarters will be the Marriott Inn by the Astrodome, phone 713/797-9000.

For further information contact Ruben Reyes and Anthony Mihalski, sale managers and auctioneers, 118 West Nakoma, P. O. Box 32828, San Antonio, Texas 78216, phone 512/349-2185.

Water Lawsuit Victory

In what is likely to be a precedent setting case, the Justice Department's Tax Division agreed with a lawsuit brought by Gigot Brothers, Garden City, seeking a tax deduction based on depletion of ground water supplies. The Federal District Court in Wichita approved the settlement which is final and not eligible for appeal by the government. The decision will be extremely valuable to many western Kansas irrigators who can now request the income tax deduction for declining water tables under their land. Estimates of the total economic benefit to irrigators in Kansas range from $10-$50 million.

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Spitz, Guests Limousin Sale Grosses $127,000

Norman, Okla. — Fred, Janell, Kent & Fred Spitz, Jr., hosted the Spitz Limousin Farms' production sale Dec. 6 in their new sale barn three miles west of here, with guest consignments from McKown & Sons of Ardmore; Ozell Beams, Maysville, Kenneth Rycroft, of Harrah, Steve Zybach of Briscoe, Texas, Bruce Brooks of Springer and Wylie Hough of Miami, to a gross of $127,000 on 48 lots for an average of $2,646. The 28 fullblood Limousin bulls averaged $2,654 and 25 bullblood female lots $2,638. American Cattle Services, Inc., of Chattanooga, managed the sale and C. K. "Sonny" Booth of Miami, Okla., was auctioneer.

Cecil Johnson of Houston purchased the top selling bull for $6,000; Odell Lowe of Post, Texas, bought the second high bull for $4,300; and O'Brien Farms of Pineville, Mo., the third high bull for $3,550.

Johnson also bought the top female lot for $3,950; the second high female lot was a split pair, the cow at $2,450 to Bowman Ranch, Oklahoma City, and the heifer calf for $1,400 to Jerry Piquet of Vinita, Okla. The third high female lot went for $3,100 to Lazy E Ranch of Kellsbell, Mont.

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"Rancher's Beefmaster" Bulls Average $1,589

Sulphur Springs — The "Rancher's Beefmaster Bull Sale" at Regional Livestock Center Dec. 6, the first sponsored by the Lone Star Beefmaster Breeders Association in this area, grossed $173,175 on 109 bulls for an average of $1,589. Auctioneers and sale managers Ruben V. Reyes and Anthony J. Mihalski of San Antonio, averaged $2,682 on the top 25 and $1,640 on the top 50 bulls.

"Grand Toro" from Triple A Farms of Frost, owned by Arnold A. Armstrong, Jr., of Houston, sold to Hans Wittenburg of Edna, and Dick Goswick of Corpus Christi, for $10,000 to top the sale. A son of "Grand Toro" was second high selling bull, going to Mack Ponder of Alice for $7,500.

Other high selling bulls included another consigned by Bob Cochran of Hamilton and purchased by Goswick for $3,450; one consigned by Leonard Schroeder of Bellville and purchased by Ponder for $3,100; and one consigned by Mark Whitton of Canton and purchased by Chick Koopman of Glendale, Calif., for $3,000.

Other buyers included: Clyde W. Mayes of Sulphur Springs; J. H. Massey of Fairfield; Jay Chester of Sulphur Bluff; Brass & Herd of Coldwater, Kan.; Southland Land & Cattle Co., Seagoville; Oklahoma Department of Corrections, Oklahoma City; Le Roy Jordan of Dallas; Jim Calhoun of Fort Worth; J. T. Gray of Mineola; J. D. Dobbs of Grandview; Kenneth Knoll of Stuttgart, Ark.; Jamar Farms of Shreveport; and Rancho Paloma of Montalba.

Cowtown Classic Shorthorn Sale Feb. 1 Top Breed Event

Fort Worth — Plans are being made by the sponsoring Texas Shorthorn Association for the 2nd annual Cowtown Classic Shorthorn sale at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show here Feb. 1 to be one of the featured Shorthorn events in the nation in 1981, according to Obe Lionberger of Weather, chairman of the sale committee and sale manager.

Lionberger expects 40 to 60 head of registered Shorthorn cattle of show quality and all under two years of age for the sale in the sale arena at the south end of the cattle show arena at 3 p.m. Feb. 1. The sale cattle will have been in a pre-sale show earlier at 1 p.m. that afternoon.

For further information, or to consign top quality cattle to the sale, contact: Obe Lionberger, Sale Manager, Route 5, Box 239, Weatherford, Texas 76086, phone 817/682-4973.

Chianina National Bull Shows, Sales Jan. 16-17, Denver

Denver — The American Chianina Association's National Western Chianina Bull Show & Sale will be held Jan. 16-17 at the National Western Livestock Show in Denver.

Activities begin with the show of single bulls at 9:30 a.m., Friday, Jan. 16. The pens-of-three Chianina bulls will be shown at 8 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 17. Jerry Adamson, Cody, Nebr., will judge the shows.

The National Western Chianina bull sale will be held at 6 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 17 in the National Western Livestock Center Auction Arena.

The Chianina party will be held Friday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m., in the Century Room of the Cosmopolitan Hotel at 1780 Broadway in Denver, with hors d'oeuvres and Western Dance music by the Saratoga Light.

There will be 200 single bulls and 12 pens-of-three bulls in the shows and will include Italina fullbloods, American purebreds, and three-eighths to seven-eighths percentage blood bulls.

For more information or catalogs, contact: American Chianina Assn., P. O. Box 159, Blue Springs, Mo. 64015, phones 816/229-1944 or 816/229-5119.

Ward's Ranches Joint Simmental Sale Set Jan. 10, Gainesville

Gainesville, Texas — The 1981 annual joint production sale of Simmental cattle by the Thurmon Ward and Cecil Ward Simmental Ranches will be held Saturday, Jan. 10, 1981, beginning at 12 noon, in the Gainesville Livestock Market, Inc.

Selling will be 100 bulls and 60 female lots. These feature some of the most popular bloodlines in the Simmental breed including: Extra, Galant, Beat, Apollo and Renz. All are from registered Hereford base cows.

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All cattle, both bulls and females, were bred and raised on the Ward's ranches.

For further information contact: Gainesville Livestock Market, Inc. P. O. Box 1055, Old Refinery Road, Gainesville, Texas 76240, Thurmon Ward, 817/665-3692 or Cecil Ward, 817/665-3167.

National Limousin Sale Set Jan. 15 At Denver Show

Denver — The 11th National Limousin Sale will be held at 6 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 15, 1981, in the Beef Palace Sales Arena at the National Western Livestock Show in Denver.

Week-long Limousin activities at the National Western begin on Wednesday, Jan. 14, with cattle in place and the national Limousin Queen contest at 8 a.m.; at 2 p.m., Jan. 14 the North American Limousin Foundation open committee meetings will be held; and at 4 p.m., Jan. 14, the NALF open board and annual business meetings will be held. The annual Limousin party and dance will begin at 7:30 p.m. that evening.

Thursday, Jan. 15, at 8 a.m. the show of National sale cattle will be held in the Stadium Arena; at 1 p.m. the National Western Junior Limousin Heifer Show will be held in the Stadium Arena; at 8 p.m., the Limouselle meeting will be held in the National Western Club; at 5 p.m., a pre-sale cocktail party will be held at the National Western Club; and at 6 p.m. the National Limousin Sale in the Beef Palace Sales Arena.

On Friday, Jan. 16, the National Limousin open show will begin at 8 a.m. in the Stadium Arena.

Saturday, Jan. 17, the National Western Limousin Pen and Carload bull show will be held at 9 a.m. in the Stockyards Arena; and cattle will be released at 8 p.m. that day.

On Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 9 a.m., the National Western Feeder Calf Show with separate classes for Limousin-sired calves will be held in the Stockyards outdoor arena.

For further information contact the North American Limousin Foundation, 100 Livestock Exchange Building, Denver, Colorado 80216, phone 303/623-5544.

Mid-Tex Graded Pig Sale at Hamilton

Hamilton, Texas, Dec. 20 (F-S) — Mid-Tex graded feeder pig auction 786 head (all sales cut only). US 1 couple lots 56-68 lbs 46.00-47.50. Couple lots 88 lbs 38.00-41.00.

Cattle Feeders Rate Top 10 Developments in News in 1980

Amarillo — The Texas Cattle Feeders Association, which represents cattle feeders in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico, an area that produces 22% of the nation's fed beef, has just reviewed developments in 1980 and selected the "Top 10 Stories" that affect cattle feeders. They are:

1. Record high interest rates — prime tops 21%. Since cattle feeding is a highly leveraged business, the new high rates — with prime now at 21.5% — have significantly impacted profits for cattle feeders.

2. DES debacle. Although the Food and Drug Administration set October 31, 1979, as the last day for using the growth stimulant, DES, they never officially notified cattlemen. So, Many cattlemen continued using it. Early this year, the FDA reported that more than 307 operators had implanted over 426,885 head of cattle after the deadline.

3. Cattlemen turn down Beeferendum. This self-help plan of research and promotion was rejected by cattlemen, in a national referendum, even though a later survey by Doane Agricultural Service revealed that 84% favor expanded beef research, education and market development.

4. Grain prices reach new highs. In November, the price of corn to feedyards reached $7.35 per cwt., milo $6.80 per cwt. A year earlier, the respective prices were $6.35 and $5.50.

5. Cholesterol is wrongly damned. A study by the prestigeous National Academy of Sciences supported cattlemen's contention on diet and health — that cholesterol (in beef) is not harmful to the average person.

6. Southwest Packing capacity to increase 21%. Although some packing plants were closed in 1980, new ones are under construction, so total slaughter capacity will be greater in 1981.

7. Repeal of "carry-over basis." For several years, cattlemen have worked for repeal of the "carry-over basis" of taxing inherited property. President Carter signed the repeal amendment in April.

8. Record hog slaughter and poultry slaughter. The 1980 estimated slaughter of 95 million hogs and 8 billion poultry put real pressure on cattle prices.

9. New interest in lean beef. The new interest by consumers triggered efforts by cattlemen to change USDA grading standards and feed cattle fewer days. This could lower the cost of products for feeders and the price of beef for consumers.

10. Republican sweep of fall elections. With more conservatives in Congress and in the Administration, cattlemen expect fewer regulations on producers, thus lower production costs and lower food costs.

In looking ahead to 1981, Charles Ball, executive vice president of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, says he expects beef supplies to about equal 1980. But he said cattle prices are expected to average about 5-6% higher, retail prices about 10% higher.

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Junior Exhibitors At State Fair Garnered Checks of $482,427

Dallas — Junior Livestock and Broiler exhibitors at the 1980 State Fair of Texas will receive a record amount of premium and auction sale proceeds for their participation in the State Fair programs. Checks totaling $482,427.44 were mailed to County Extension Agents and Vocational Agriculture Teachers November 20.

Auction sale checks for steers, lambs, barrows and broilers amounted to $434,777.44, an honest-to-goodness record. Premium checks from the State Fair and participating breed associations of $47,650.00 provided the balance of the record receipts.

Avery Mays, Chairman of the Junior Auction Sale Committee stated, "Our goal for 1980 auctions was $400,000.00 for Texas youngsters who came to Dallas. Our Committee of 114 volunteers met the challenge".

Some 676 youngsters from all parts of Texas sold 228 steers, 141 lambs, 765 barrows and 610 broilers. Blue ribbon steers averaged $1.13 per pound; red ribbon steers 94c and white ribbon steers averaged 91c per pound. Barrow exhibitors received an average of 67c per pound while lambs brought $1.20 per pound. The blue ribbon pens of broilers grossed $60.00 per pen of five birds for their young owners. "The continued support of our State Fair programs indicates the benefits available to exhibitors and faith in young people demonstrated by the buyers", stated Don Clark, Director of State Fair Livestock Programs. "We did not anticipate the overall success for 1980," Clark further stated.

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All-Breed Bull Sale Averages $957

Paris, Texas — In the Red River Valley All-Breed bull sale conducted by Double D Auction Service of Waskom Dec. 2 the 73 bulls grossed $69,830 for an average of $957. Jack Dillard of Waskom was auctioneer for the sale sponsored by the Lamar County Chamber of Commerce.

Volume buyers included Jack Murray of Hugo, Okla., purchaser of bulls costing a total of $5,330; and Cobb Ranch of Paris, purchaser of bulls totaling $4,750.

Raymond G. Griffith of Talihina, Okla., topped the sale at $1,525, purchasing a Polled Hereford consigned by Travis Polled Herefords of Rockwall, Texas.

A Brahman bull consigned by Sulphur River Ranch, Fairs, sold for $1,025 to Mike Parsons of Arthur City; Gordon Van Deaver of Deport paid $1,100 for a Polled Hereford from John H. Saringer of Dallas; Leo B. Dodd of Paris paid $1,050 for a Polled Hereford from Chisholm Trail Ranch, Rhome; Frank Parson of Hugo, Okla., paid $1025 for a Chisholm Trail Polled Hereford; Jack Maddox of Paris paid $1,000 for a Polled Hereford from Flying A Ranch, Rosser; Raymond D. Griffity of Talihina, Okla., paid $1,200 for an Angus. A. M. Mullins of Enlow paid 1,300 for an Angus, NHC Farms of Cooper paid $1,275 for an Angus, and Robert Glass of Paris paid $1,025 and $1,000 for Angus, all from SAROB Angus, Richardson.

Horned Herefords consigned by Jimmy and Jeff Ballard of Blossom sold for $1,150 and $900 respectively to A. D. Raulston of Bagwell and H. D. Hightower of Garland; Raulston paid $1,300 for a Hereford from Diamond U Hereford Farms, Paris; Raymond Withers of Bagwell paid $1,025 for a Simmental consigned by Collins Flatt of Paris; Joe Grizzle of Detroit bought Simmentals from Longerier Farms, Mineola for prices of $1,000 and $930.

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Indian Nations Brangus Sale Averages $1,627

Durant, Okla. — The Indian Nations Brangus Breeders 6th Annual sale here Dec. 13, grossed $144,800 on 89 bulls for an average of $1,627. Sale managers were Matt and Ann Syler of Syler Sales Management, Inc., Burton, Texas, and Ray Sims was auctioneer.

In a special sale preceeding the bull sale, the Indian Nations Brangus Breeders sold 11 show heifer prospects to juniors for an average of $1,180.

There were 26 bull buyers from Oklahoma, Arkansas, New Mexico, Kansas and Texas.

Harley Sartin of McAlester consigned the top selling bull, one for which Gary Chappell of Sawyer, Okla., paid $2,500.

Oak Grove Brangus of Coalgate, Okla., consigned the second high selling bull, one purchased by John Hendrix Corp., of Midland, Texas, for $2,200. Bill Bacon of Purcell, Okla., consigned a bull for which J. P. Sharp of Durant paid $2,100 and Bacon and Rocky JM Ranch of Oktaha, Okla., consigned a bull purchased by Hancock Ranch, Sulphur, Okla., and Hendrix Corp. for $2,000.

Volume buyers included Judge A. W. Moursund's Arrowhead Ranch, Hount Mountain, Texas; Corralitos Venture, Las Cruces, N.M.; A. D. Cody & Sons of Coalgate; and AAA Cattle Co., Madill, Okla.

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Hill Country Brangus Bulls Average $2,414, Commercial Heifers $529

San Angelo — The Hill Country Brangus Breeders' Brangus bull and commercial heifer sales here Dec. 13 grossed $354,925 on 147 bulls for an average of $2,414.46; and 1,545 brad and open commercial Brangus heifers totaled $817,365 to average $529. The 466 bred heifers grossed $370,170 to average $794 and $1,079 open heifers $447,195 to average $414.45. The sales were managed by P & F Cattle Co. of Bellville, and Reyes & Reyes of San Antonio were auctioneers.

There were 38 heifer buyers from California, Oklahoma and Texas; and 55 bull buyers from Alabama, Colorado, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Texas.

W. A. Hickman of Midland, S. Dak., purchased 13 bulls to be top volume bull buyer; and E. W. Cade of Rotan, Texas, was top volume heifer buyer with purchases totaling 150 head.

A Brink's Brangus, Potoet, bull topped the bulls going for $13,100 to Dave Schubert, Circle S Ranch, Bar W Ranch, Diamond B Ranch, Crystal Springs, Miss., and Geneva, Samson and Vincent, Ala.

Willow Springs Ranch of Burton consigned the second high selling bull, one purchased by J. G. O'Connell of New Kirk, N.M., for $9,000. Glen Ross Farms of Fogera consigned a bull for which HiAgra Resources of New Gulf, paid $8,000. Escoba Cattle Co., of Abilene consigned a bull purchased for $7,000 by Keene Ranch of Sonora; and Allen Turner Ranch of Thorndale consigned a bull for which Circle 7 Land & Cattle Co. of Jacksboro paid $5,200.

The top pen of bred heifers consisted of 28 head consigned by Eugene Miller of Ozona and purchased by Roy K. Furr of Dallas, for $23,800, at $850 each.

Canning Ranches of Capitan, N.M., consigned the top selling 80 head of open heifers, for which Cade paid an average of $460 to gross $36,800.

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North Texas Simmental Sales Averages $967

Fort Worth — The North Texas Simmental Breeders Association production sale here Dec. 20 grossed $86,695 for an average of $967. Joe Mitchum of Hubbard was auctioneer for the sale approved by the Texas Simmental Association.

Longerier Farms of Mineola consigned a bred fullblood cow purchased for $4,000 by Gregory's Texas G Ranch at Jacksonville to top the sale.

Longerier Farms also consigned an open fullblood polled heifer purchased by Don Cole's Top of Texas Simmental Ranch at Denton for $3,600.

A fullblood bull consigned by Dary Anderson of Ponder was purchased by the Texas G Ranch for $2,000.

Others buyers included Doh White of Krum; Buzzard Cross Ranch, Dallas; Jack Walling, Hubbard; R.O.M.P. Enterprises, Fort Worth; Iron Hand Cattle Co., Clyde; Robert Dodge, Springtown; F & V Cattle Co., Madill, Okla.; Simmental T Ranch, Lancaster; Dick Carey, Mineral Wells; Big Plains Genetics, San Antonio; Folston Land & Cattle Co., Abilene; LTM Ranch, Abilene; and others.

Carlot Beef Opens Steady, $1 Higher

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Heifer beef — 42 loads, including 3 to processors, 8 to packers & 31 to chain stores. FOB Omaha basis: 6 choice 3 500-700 lbs 101.00, 1.00 higher. 28 choice 2-3 500-700 lbs YG 3 100.00-102.00. YG 2 100.50-104.00. 3 choice 4 500-700 lbs 86.00-87.00. 1 good 2-3 500-600 lbs 97.50. 3 good 2-3 500-700 lbs 98.00-98.50. FOB Amarillo basis: Good 2-3 500-700 lbs 98.00. Cow beef not established, both demand and offerings light with undertone generally steady in central U.S. and weaker on the west coast. Cow beef — 1 load. FOB Omaha basis: Utility (brkg) 3-4, 450 & up lbs 80.50 (West). Primal beef cuts — 1 load. FOB Omaha basis: Choice 3 1 ld. rounds (H) 60-85 lbs 116.00. Boneless processing beef; beef trimmings: 5 load. FOB Omaha basis: 5 50% chem lean, fresh 61.00-61.50.

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Des Moines, Dec. 29 (F-S) — Central U.S. boxed beef — fabricated beef cuts — as of 3:30 FOB Omaha basis (includes major production areas in the midwest and Texas-Oklahoma Panhandle.) Quotations reflect bulk sales by fabricators to retailers, wholesalers, etc. Boxed beef trade very slow. Best movement in chuck items which traded at firmer prices than last Wednesday, but still pressured from moderately heavy inventories. Sales reported on 33½ loads boxed cuts, 28½ lds. boxed carcass, and 5 loads beef trimmings and boneless processing beef.

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Des Moines, Dec. 29 (F-S) — The estimated gross cutoff value of choice 3 600-700 lb beef carcasses for Monday is $107.36 per cwt., up $.30 from Wednesday, $.46 higher than a week ago and not established a year ago. This value is based on the carlot prices of choice fabricated beef cuts FOB Omaha basis and average industry yields. (Note): No adjustment is made for packer processing costs.)

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Des Moines, Dec. 29 (F-S) — Central U.S. carlot pork trade — FOB Omaha basis (includes the major production areas in the midwest) as of 2:15 p.m. Compared to Wednesday's 2:15 report: Fresh pork loins steady. Picnics, not established. Fresh hams 14-20 lbs steady-1.00 higher, 20-26 lbs 2.50-5.00 lower. Sdls bellies 10-12 lbs steady, 12-16 lbs 3.50- 4.00 lower, 18-25 lbs 1.00 higher. Trading slow; demand light. Sales reported on 32 loads and one (1) load of trimmings and variety meats.

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Feedlot Cattle Open Steady, .50¢ Higher

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good and choice 2-3 1000-1100 lb 66.50-67.00. Heifers, 1,900: Good and mostly choice 2-3, 900-1000 lb 65.00-65.50. Mixed good and choice 2-4 950-1000 lb including heiferettes 63.00-64.50.

Trade moderate in the Panhandle area late Wednesday, Friday and through the weekend. Slaughter steers steady, heifers steady to 50 higher. Steers, 6,100: Good and mostly choice 2-3, 70-85% choice, 1050-1150 lb 67.00-67.50, bulk 67.50. Mixed good and choice 2-3 1050-1100 lb 65.50-66.50. Heifers, 3,100: Good and mostly choice 2-3 900-1025 lb 65.00-66.00. Mixed good and choice 2-3 900-950 lb 64.00-65.00. Couple loads good and choice 2-4 1000-1050 lb heiferettes 61.00-63.00.

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Dodge City, Dec. 29 (USDA) — Trade slow Monday. Few slaughter steers and heifers steady. Steers, 800: Few choice 2-4, mostly 3 1050-1250 lbs 66.50-67.00. Heifers, 500: Few choice 2-4, mostly 3 1000 lbs 65.00; 400 head 64.50.

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Nebraska feedlot sales, Dec. 30 (USDA) — Confirmed 5,100. Live sales 60 pct. steers and heifers steady to instances 50 higher. Steers: Good and mostly choice 2-4 1100-1250 lbs 64.00-65.00. Some mainly yield grade 3 63.50 FOB feedlot. Compared last Wednesday, dressed basis sales steady to 1.00 higher. Weight only-steers: Good and mostly choice 600-800 lbs mainly YG 3 103.50-104.50, some with larger percentage YG 4 102.00-103.00. Weight only-heifers: Good and mostly choice 400-700 lbs 100.00-102.00. Those with very few YG 4 101.00-102.00.

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Greeley, Dec. 29 (F-S) — Modest volume steady to .50 higher. Heifers not fully developed, token volume Monday steady to .50 higher. Steers 1,475. Choice 2-4 1125-1225 lbs 66.00-67.00 FOB Northern Colorado. Heifers 850. Choice 2-4 around 975 lbs 63.50 to mostly 64.50 delivered; few loads 925-1025 lbs 64.00 FOB.

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MANAGE RANGES FOR LIVESTOCK, WILDLIFE — One of the basic principles in managing rangeland is to balance the number of animals, both livestock and wildlife, with the amount of available forage, emphasizes a range specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A & M University System. This calls for flexibility which can come from buying feed or selling some livestock when grazing is poor along with proper harvesting of wildlife such as deer. Both landowners and hunters have a vital role in improving the food supply and in helping to balance the number of grazing animals with forage production.

Merc Revises Feeder Cattle Futures Effective Jan. 2

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cattle industry, the revisions will take effect with a new January, 1982 contract and subsequent delivery months.

Changes in the feeder cattle contract are being made in the grade description, par contract weight allowable, discounts for grade and weight, maximum horn length and approved par and discount delivery points.

The new feeder cattle trading unit will be 44,000 pounds of feeder steers instead of 42,000 pounds. The steers will be of medium frame and the lower 2/3 of the large frame size. In addition, the steers will be of Number One and the top 1/3 of the Number 2 muscle thickness as defined in the official U S Standards for Grades of Feeder Cattle.

The existing contract calls for 80% choice and 20% good grades and has now been revised to not more than 13 head of number two muscle thickness. A delivery unit can contain up to 23 head, or ten additional steers, of the top 1/3 of USDA number two muscle thickness at a discount of $4.00 per cwt.

The average per head weight has been increased from 550-650 pounds to 575-700 pounds. The discount for heavy cattle has been increased from 1.5c per cwt over 600 pounds to 3c per cwt over 700 pounds. In addition, a delivery unit averaging over 750 pounds up to 800 pounds is deliverable at a 5c per cwt discount.

The acceptable horn length has been increased from 3 inches to 5 inches.

Par delivery points in the revised contract are Omaha, Nebraska, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Sioux City, Iowa. Delivery may also be made at Kansas City, Missouri and St Joseph, Missouri at a 25c per cwt discount. The 75c per cwt discount for delivery at Billings, Montana and the $6.00 per cwt discount for delivery at Montgomery, Alabama remain unchanged.

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Cattle Firm, Higher At San Antonio

San Antonio, Dec. 29 (F-S) — Receipts 400. Slaughter cows firm. Slaughter bulls firm to 1.00 higher. Not enough feeder cattle on offer to fully establish price trends. Slaughter cows: Utility 2-3 43.00-48.50. Cutter 1-2 40.25-46.25. Few canner and low-cutter 36.00-41.00. Bulls: Yield grade 1-2 1000-1650 lbs 63.25-67.00, few 57.25-59.25. Some indicating a low-boning percentage 1000-1300 lbs 47.00-50.25. Feeder steers and bulls: Medium frame No. 1: Few 350-425 lbs 71.50-76.50. Lot 210 lbs 80.25. Medium and large frame No. 2: 300-400 lbs 66.25-72.25. 400-500 lbs 65.25-70.00, 500-600 lbs 62.00-65.25. Heifers: Medium frame No. 1: 350-500 lbs 61.50-63.75, few 250-300 lbs 63.25-70.50. Medium frame No. 2: 375-575 lbs 58.00-62.00.

Hogs 600; steady to .50 higher. Sows 1.00 lower. US 1-2 200-240 lbs 44.50-45.00, few lots early 45.50. US 2-3 220-270 lbs 42.50-44.50. Sows: US 1-3 275-350 lbs 40.00-42.00. 350-550 lbs 39.00-40.00.

Swine Inventory

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August 1980 pig crop totaled 20.4 million head, 10% below the same quarter a year ago. For the September-November period, the pig crop of 21.3 million head decreased 2% from the same period during 1979.

U S hog producers intend to have 6.78 million sows farrow during the December 1980-May 1981 period, 6% below both a year ago and the same period two years ago.

These intentions and projected litter size indicate a pig crop of 48.5 million, 7% below 1980 and 4% below the December 1978-May 1979 crop.

Intentions in the 14 quarterly states totaled 2.58 million sows to farrow during December 1980-February 1981 period, 6% fewer than the same period last year. The March-May 1981 intentions at 3.18 million are 5% below the March-May 1980 quarter.

Reliability and estimating procedures: Primary data used in setting these hog estimates were obtained from a sample of farmers across the U S using probability surveys. Information was collected by mail, telephone and personal interviews. Since all operations raising hogs were not included in the sample, survey estimates are subject to two percent at the U S levels for hog inventory. This means that chances are approximately 95 out of 100 that survey estimates will be within four percent of the complete coverage value if the same procedures were used to survey all producers. Survey estimates are also subject to processing the data. These errors cannot be measured directly, but they are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

The sampling variability of survey estimates on intended farrowing is slightly larger than that for inventories. More important, actual farrowing may differ significantly from reported intentions due to unexpected economic and environmental conditions. These differences have exceeded four percent for about one-third of the quarterly pig crops during the last six years.

In setting the inventory estimates, the crop reporting board constructed a U S balance sheet using estimates on births, deaths and check data on slaughter, imports and exports. This balance sheet provided an additional check on survey inventory estimates.

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cluded th' collapse of th' U.S. auto bizness in th' markit place. One has to wonder why people runnin' General Motors, Ford & Chrysler failed to recognize what was happenin' in th' automobile buyin' public's mind. But now an even more puzzling thang is th' fack they keep harpin' on rebates, high interest rates, etc., and not a one of 'em has had th' good sense, or gumption, to start shoutin' from th' roof tops about th' Department of Transportation's buyers guide for automobiles. Most of its content is favorable to th' American product. U.S. small cars are by far safer than th' imports, almost without exception. But this has been a well kept secret by industry and news media. Why?

Certainly one of th' top stories of th' year has to be th' effort to turn th' USDA into a massive Consumers' Union, or Consumers' Federation, or somethin' of th' kind where Bob Bergland and Carol Tucker Foreman using probability surveys. Information was collected by mail, telephone and personal interviews. Since all operations raising hogs were not included in the sample, survey estimates are subject to two percent at the U S levels for hog inventory. This means that chances are approximately 95 out of 100 that survey estimates will be within four percent of the complete coverage value if the same procedures were used to survey all producers. Survey estimates are also subject to processing the data. These errors cannot be measured directly, but they are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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Livestock Slaughter, Meat Production

Washington, Dec. 29 (USDA) — Total red meat production under federal inspection for the week ended 12/27/80 was estimated at 520 million pounds. This was 28% below a week ago, and 1% below a year ago.

Production (Million Lbs.)

Wk. End.	12/27/80	12/29/80	
Beef	301.0	296.5	Up 2%
Calf	4.5	3.7	Up 22%
Pork	209.6	220.6	Dn. 5%
Lamb	4.8	4.6	Up 4%
Total	519.9	525.4	Dn. 1%

Slaughter (Head)

Cattle	469,000	452,000	Up 4%
Calves	35,000	31,000	Up 13%
Hogs	1,200,000	1,276,000	Dn. 6%
Sheep	83,000	79,000	Up 5%

Average Weights

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	Live	Drsd.	Live	Drsd.
Cattle	1085	644	1097	657
Calves	206	129	197	120
Hogs	247	175	243	173
Sheep	115	58	117	59

Slaughter By Class

Wk. End.	Cows	Bulls	Hfrs.	Strs.
12/15/79	19.8	2.0	27.5	50.7
12/06/80	23.7	2.2	27.8	46.4
	Barrows		Sows	Boars
12/15/79	92.1		6.8	1.1
12/06/80	93.0		5.9	1.1

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Texas Limousin Classic Show, Sale Set Feb. 6

Fort Worth — The Texas Limousin Association's Southwest Classic bull show and sale will be held Friday, Feb. 6, 1981, with the sale beginning at 2 p.m. in Barn 6 at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show.

Bulls will carry 75 percent or more Limousin blood and will have been born between Sept. 1, 1978 and Aug. 1, 1980. Each entry must have at least three bulls, but up to five will be permitted. The bulls will be shown loose, and halters are not required.

For further information contact Sale Chairman, Charles Rollins, Route 1, Box 493, Crowley Texas 76036, phone 817/297-1278; or James Dyer, President, Texas Limousin Association, Box 1430, Fort Davis, Texas 79734, phone 915/426-3336.

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